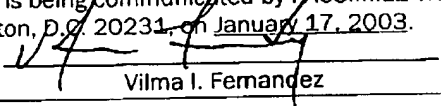


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Hon. Commissioner For Patents
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 111

Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action of September 17, 2002.

Entry of the amendments and consideration of the remarks is respectfully requested.

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